REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application as amended. Claims 2, 4-6, 11-14, 34, and 36-70 were pending in the application. Claims 34, 36-60, and 68-70 have been canceled without prejudice.

In the Office Action, the Examiner allowed claims 2, 4-6, 11-14, 34, and 36-70. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance. In order to allow the current case to promptly issue, Applicant hereby cancels the remaining claims without prejudice.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the current application is now in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Please charge any shortages and credit any overcharges to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,
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